



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the Department of Fire**

Date: September 25, 2002  
To: Joe Biernat, Chair, Public Safety and Regulatory Services  
Referral to: Barb Johnson, Chair, Ways and means Budget Committee  
Paul Ostrow, Chair, City Council

**Subject: Donations to the Minneapolis Fire Department**

**Recommendation: City Council approval for the Minneapolis Fire Department to accept donations from the proceeds of the 2003 KS95 Firefighters Calendar project; to be applied toward the purchase of Thermal Imaging Cameras. Proceeds are anticipated to be approximately \$60,000 to \$70,000 by January 2003. Increase the Fire Department appropriation in Fund 0600, Agency 280, Organization 2820 Revenue Source 3720 in the amount of \$70,000, to become effective January 1, 2003.**

**Previous Directives:**

Prepared or Submitted by: Marie Swerdfiger, Administrative Analyst II 673-2545

Approved by: Rocco Forte', Fire Chief Rocco Forte'  
Presenters in Committee: Rocco Forte', Fire Chief

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

- ☐ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- ☒ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- ☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- ☐ Other financial impact (Explain):

☒ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Community Impact** (use any categories that apply)

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goals
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

## **Background/Supporting Information Attached**

KS95 wished to honor and support the work of firefighters, by sponsoring the development and sales of firefighter calendars, for the purpose of donating proceeds to the Minneapolis Fire Department for the purchase of Thermal Imaging Cameras.

The Fire Department worked with KS95 on appropriate pictures depicting life in the day of a firefighter and a fire prevention message for each month of the calendar.

Attached is a letter from KS95, explaining the program and its intent.



August 29, 2002

Mr. Rocco S. Forte  
Fire Chief  
City of Minneapolis  
350 South 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 230  
Minneapolis, MN 55415-1387

Dear Chief Forte:

The 2003 KS95 Firefighters Calendar project was created to raise money to purchase Thermal Imaging Cameras for the Minneapolis Fire Department. Here are some key points about this project.

- ❖ KS95 has donated all its time, on-air time, dollars to fund the Calendar project.
- ❖ All money raised will be used toward the purchase of Thermal Imaging Cameras.
- ❖ Firefighters featured in the Calendar are local Minneapolis firefighters.
- ❖ KS95 will handle the accounting details for the Calendar.
- ❖ KS95 will present a check to the Minneapolis Fire Department in January 2003, if not before, for the purchase of Thermal Imaging Cameras.
- ❖ Intended goal is \$60,000.

In addition, the KS95 2003 Calendar is dedicated to all those who gave their lives saving others and to those who lost their lives on 9-11.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist the Minneapolis Fire Department and the local community. If you have any questions, or if I can be of help in any way, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Marc Kalman'.

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